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SUBJECT: PROPOSED UNDP PURCHASES FROM AMERICAN FIRMS FOR
USE IN VIETNAM.

1. AS A RESULT OF DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION AGAINST UNDP
APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO EMBARGO ON SALES BY U.S. FIRMS
TO VIETNAM, WE UNDERSTAND THAT UNDP INTENDS TO RAISE THE
ISSUE WITH USUN, POSSIBLY DIRECTLY WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG.
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MAY BE OF USE TO MISSION IN
EVENT SUCH APPROACH IS MADE.

2. EQUIPMENT WHICH THE UNDP WISHES TO PURCHASE IS INTENDED
FOR USE ON A WIDE RANGE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. IT IS
AVAILABLE COMMERCIALY FROM MANY OTHER SOURCES THAN THE US
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AND IT DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE
EMBARGO ON HUMANITARIAN GROUNDS. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE
TURNED DOWN SIMILAR REQUESTS FROM US FIRMS OVERSEAS. EX-
CEPTIONS HAVE BEEN GRANTED IN THE PAST LARGELY FOR ITEMS
LIKE MEDICINES OR INSECTICIDES.

3. OUR POSITION ON THE EMBARGO TO VIETNAM WAS MOST RECENT-

LY STATED IN A DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING ON AUGUST 7 WHERE
WE STATED: "WE BELIEVE THAT THE INTEREST OF ALL PARTIES ARE
BEST SERVED WHEN TRADE IS CONDUCTED IN THE CONTEXT OF NORMAL
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS . . . OUR POSITION WITH REGARD TO TRADE
RESTRICTION WITH VIETNAM REMAINS AS WE HAVE STATED IT IN
THE PAST, AND WE DO NOT FORESEE A LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO
UNTIL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ARE ESTABLISHED WITH THAT
COUNTRY."
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